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BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING TO MEET IN REGULAR SESSION

The Utah Board of Oil, Gas and Mining will meet in regular session on Wednesday, March 24, 2004, in the auditorium of the Department of Natural Resources, 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah.

The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. with nominees for 2004 Earth Day Awards making presentations before the board. Each presentation will last approximately 10 minutes and will detail why the nominee feels deserving of an award. Earth Day Awards are presented each year to companies or individuals who go beyond what is required by law in protecting the environment while extracting essential natural resources.

The board will also be updated on recent legislative matters pertaining to oil, gas and mining activities within the state, and receive a report on the wilderness process. The formal agenda will begin at approximately 11:00 a.m.

AGENDA

1. <u>Docket No. 2004-004</u>, Cause No. 241-05 - In the Matter of the Request for Agency Action of Westport Oil and Gas Company, L.P. for an Order Establishing 160-Acre Drilling and Spacing Units for the Production of Gas (Including Coalbed Methane) from the Ferron Formation in all of Sections 16, 21, 28 and 33, Township 13 South, Range 11 East, and all of Sections 4 and 9, Township 14 South, Range 11 East, SLM, Carbon County, Utah.

This matter was continued from the February board hearing and is a routine spacing matter.

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